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COOPERATION. BUT THEY REQUIRE NEW BASES OF COOPERATION.
THE INFORMATION REVOLUTION WITH ITS INSTANTANEOUS FLOWS OF
NEWS AND CAPITAL ON A GLOBAL SCALE HAVE CHANGED THE WAY
NATIONS OPERATE IN THE WORLD. THE LINE BETWEEN WHAT IS
FOREIGN AND WHAT IS DOMESTIC IS EVER MORE BLURRED.
RECOGNITION OF OUR INTERDEPENDENCE IS THE FIRST STEP
TOWARDS DEFINING THE BASIS OF COOPERATION.

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1. FOR A/S SOLOMON FROM ROBERT PERITO. DRAFT BANQUET TOAST
2. BEGIN TEXT

LET ME EXPRESS MY APPRECIATION FOR THE WARM WELCOME I
RECEIVED AND FOR THE HOSPITALITY YOU HAVE EXTENDED HERE
THIS EVENING.

PRESIDENT BUSH HAS ASKED ME TO COME TO CHINA BECAUSE
STABLE RELATIONS BETWEEN OUR TWO COUNTRIES ARE ESSENTIAL
IF THE NEW WORLD NOW UNFOLDING IS TO BE ONE OF PEACE,
PROSPERITY AND STABILITY.

NEXT YEAR WILL MARK THE THIRTIETH ANNIVERSARY OF PRESIDENT
NIXON'S HISTORIC TRIP TO CHINA. SINCE 1972 THE WORLD HAS
CHANGED IN WAYS WHICH WERE THEN UNIMAGINABLE. AS FRIENDS,
WE MUST SPEAK FRANKLY. OUR RELATIONSHIP HAS BECOME A
TRROUBLED ONE. THE STRATEGIC COMPASS WHICH GUIDED OUR
RELATIONS IN THE 1970S AND 80S IS NO MORE.

OUR RELATIONSHIP FACES A NEW SET OF CHALLENGES. ISSUES OF
TRADE, THE PROLIFERATION OF WEAPONS OF MASS DESTRUCTION
AND HUMAN RIGHTS DOMINATE OUR AGENDA. OUR DIFFERENCES
OVER THESE ISSUES HIGHLIGHT THE DIFFERENCES IN OUR
RESPECTIVE SOCIAL SYSTEMS. YET WE STILL HAVE SIGNIFICANT
COMMON GROUND.

IN THE PAST, OUR RELATIONSHIP MADE AN IMPORTANT
CONTRIBUTION TO THE REDUCTION OF REGIONAL TENSIONS AND TO
WORLD PEACE. IN THE WORLD WE ARE NOW ENTERING, HOWEVER,
WE FACE NEW AND DIFFERENT SECURITY CHALLENGES. THE
EMERGING CHALLENGES OF WEAPONS PROLIFERATION, PROTECTING

THE ENVIRONMENT, ILLEGAL NARCOTICS TRAFFICKING, AND
REFUGEE FLOWS ARE PROMINENT AMONG THEM.

SUCH CHALLENGES PROVIDE NEW OPPORTUNITIES FOR

GLOBAL CHAOS AND CONFLICT DO NOT SERVE EITHER COUNTRY'S
INTERESTS. STABILITY AND PROSPERITY IN THE ASIA-PACIFIC
REGION ARE VITAL TO THE FUTURE OF BOTH OUR COUNTRIES.
CHANGES WHICH HAVE TAKEN PLACE IN THE SOVIET UNION HAVE
REMOVED THE MAJOR MILITARY THREAT THAT ONCE HUNG OVER THE
REGION. BUT AS WE HAVE SEEN, OTHER SOURCES OF CONFLICT,
HOWEVER DIFFERENT, STILL REQUIRE MUTUAL COOPERATION BASED
ON SHARED INTERESTS.

THE CONFLICT IN THE GULF WAS THE FIRST POST-COLD WAR
CHALLENGE TO COLLECTIVE SECURITY. AN AMBITIOUS TYRANT
ARMED WITH BALLISTIC MISSILES AND A SOPHISTICATED NUCLEAR
PROGRAM THREATENED WORLD PEACE. CHINA'S SUPPORT FOR
SECURITY COUNCIL ACTION WAS CRITICAL TO OUR ABILITY TO
REVERSE AGGRESSION AND RESTORE RESPECT FOR SOVEREIGNTY AND
INTERNATIONAL LAW.

STILL MORE PROMISING HAS BEEN OUR COOPERATION IN THE PERM
FIVE WHICH LED TO THE CAMBODIA PEACE ACCORD SIGNED JUST

LAST MONTH IN PARIS. CHINA'S COOPERATION HAS BEEN
INDISPENSABLE TO THE SUCCESS OF A PROCESS THAT HOLDS OUT
THE PROMISE OF FINALLY ENDING CAMBODIA'S LONG AND TRAGIC
NIGHTMARE.

CHINA'S CONSTRUCTIVE STANCE FACILITATED THE ENTRY INTO THE
U.N. OF BOTH KOREAN GOVERNMENTS. THE CONFLICT IN KOREA
IS A LEGACY OF THE COLD WAR THAT IS NOW THE MOST IMMINENT
THREAT TO STABILITY IN EAST ASIA. A THREAT MAGNIFIED BY
THE SPECTRE OF NUCLEAR PROLIFERATION. KOREA IS YET
ANOTHER AREA WHERE WE SEE MUCH COMMON GROUND BETWEEN THE
U.S. AND CHINA.

THIS SPIRIT OF COOPERATIVE EFFORT HAS ALSO BEEN EVIDENT IN
OUR RESPONSE TO OTHER CHALLENGES TO PEACE. CHINA HAS
PARTICIPATED IN MEETINGS OF THE PERM-FIVE ON PRESIDENT
BUSH'S INITIATIVE FOR MIDDLE EAST ARMS CONTROL AND HAS
SAID IT WILL POSITIVELY CONSIDER THE GUIDELINES OF THE
MISSILE TECHNOLOGY CONTROL REGIME IN CONSIDERING ARMS
TRANSFER THAT THE TROUBLED REGION.

HOWEVER, MORE IS NEEDED. WITHOUT A FIRM COMMITMENT TO
MTCR PRINCIPLES, WE WILL SEE A CONTINUING CYCLE OF VIOLENCE
AND THE FAILURE OF THOSE INITIAL STEPS TOWARD PEACE WHICH
WE WITNESSED AT MADRID. THIS IS PARTICULARLY TRUE IN THE
AREA OF NUCLEAR PROLIFERATION. AS THE UNITED STATES AND
SOVIET UNION HAVE TAKEN UNPRECEDENTED STEPS TO REDUCE OUR
NUCLEAR ARSENALS, MAVERICK STATES HAVE ANNOUNCED THEIR
INTENTIONS TO ACQUIRE NUCLEAR WEAPONS TO SETTLE LOCAL
SCOPES.

WE WELCOME CHINA'S ANNOUNCED INTENTION TO ACCEDE TO THE
NUCLEAR NON-PROLIFERATION TREATY AND HOPE THIS WILL BE
FOLLOWED BY RAPID RATIFICATION. SIMILARLY WE WELCOME THE
ADVICE WHICH CHINA HAS EXTENDED TO ITS NEIGHBORS TO PLACE
THEIR NUCLEAR PROGRAMS UNDER IAEA SAFEGUARDS AND TO
REFRAIN FROM THE DEVELOPMENT OF NUCLEAR WEAPONS.

MORE IS ALSO NEEDED IN THE AREA OF TRADE AND COMMERCIAL
RELATIONS. ONCE ALMOST TOTALLY RELIANT UPON ITS INTERNAL
ECONOMY, CHINA OVER THE PAST THIRTY YEARS HAS BECOME A

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MAJOR TRADING NATION AND A PRINCIPAL TRADING PARTNER OF
THE UNITED STATES. CHINA HAS BECOME A MEMBER OF THE
INTERNATIONAL FINANCIAL COMMUNITY AND, JUST THIS WEEK IN
SOUTH KOREA, CHINA BECAME A MEMBER OF THE ASIAN-PACIFIC ECONOMIC
COUNCIL, AN ORGANIZATION WHICH BRINGS NEW COHESION TO ALL
COUNTRIES ON THE PACIFIC RIM.

AMERICANS HAVE BENEFITED FROM ACCESS TO CHINESE PRODUCTS,
WHILE CHINA HAS BENEFITED FROM UNIMPEDED ACCESS TO THE OUR
MARKET. THIS IS NOT THE CASE, HOWEVER, FOR AMERICAN
EXPORTERS WHO FACE SEEN AND INVISIBLE BARRIERS TO SELLING
IN CHINA. WE WELCOME CHINA'S INTEREST IN REJOINING GATT.

BUT CHINA WILL NEED TO EXPAND ITS PROGRAM OF ECONOMIC
REFORM AND CONFORM TO INTERNATIONAL STANDARDS IN ITS TRADE
PRACTICES.

ADHERENCE TO INTERNATIONAL STANDARDS IS OF PARTICULAR
IMPORTANCE IN THE AREA OF HUMAN RIGHTS. OUR CONCERN IN
THIS AREA RESULTS FROM THE DEEPLY HELD CONVICTION OF THE
AMERICAN PEOPLE THAT FREEDOM AND HUMAN DIGNITY ARE

ESSENTIAL FOR ALL PEOPLES. WE ACKNOWLEDGE THAT CHINA HAS
MADE PROGRESS OVER THE LAST THIRTY YEARS IN MEETING BASIC
HUMAN NEEDS.

HOWEVER, THE PROVISION OF ECONOMIC NECESSITIES CAN NOT BE
A SUBSTITUTE FOR THE ENJOYMENT OF THE POLITICAL AND
RELIGIOUS FREEDOMS ENSCRIBED IN THE UNIVERSAL DECLARATION
OF HUMAN RIGHTS. RESPECT FOR THE INDIVIDUAL AND THE
FREEDOM TO PEACEFULLY EXPRESS ONES POLITICAL AND RELIGIOUS
BELIEFS ARE FUNDAMENTAL TO A DEMOCRATIC AND PROSPEROUS
SOCIETY.

AFTER NEARLY THIRTY YEARS FOR FRIENDSHIP, WE OFFER CHINA A
RELATIONSHIP THAT IS PREMISED ON SHARED RESPONSIBILITY FOR
PEACE, STABILITY AND PROSPERITY. AND NOW, LET ME LIFT MY
GLASS AND ASK YOU TO JOIN ME A TOAST TO FRIENDSHIP BETWEEN
THE CHINESE AND AMERICAN PEOPLE AND TO THE PROSPECT OF
FRUITFUL VISIT. // KANTER.

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